

Communication from Public

Name: Alexis Gantt
Date Submitted: 12/29/2022 09:30 AM
Council File No: 20-1575
Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is a part of American history! Long live rodeo!

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Name: louis gauci
Date Submitted: 12/29/2022 09:49 AM
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Comments for Public Posting: Please pass the L.A. Rodeo Device Ban. A recent poll of 600 Los Angeles voting residents showed 72% support the ban. There is no excuse for animal abuse in Los Angeles.

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Name: Terry Martin

Date Submitted: 12/29/2022 10:17 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: This is so unnecessary and harmful in so many ways. There are already many laws in place to protect animals and even more strict rules for PRCA rodeos for the use of equipment. Spurs must be without sharp rowels, straps on the horse fleece covered, the list goes on and on. Many many people make their living off these competitions from local to those who come to California to compete from across the country. Huge prices are paid for the animals in rodeo from the bucking horses and bulls to the roping and barrel racing horses. They get better care than the casual horse owner. These people bring their families with them to stay in your motels/hotels, eat in your restaurants and shop in your city and towns. All are people who love the animals involved and treasure them. Not to mention this is a historical AMERICAN sport with fans here in the USA and abroad - many of whom vacation in California! A state or city or county would sure be way off those fans list of places to spend their money if you pass this bill. Have you no respect for those who love these animals, this sport, and this American West way of life?

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Name: Anita Long

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Comments for Public Posting: Please pass the L.A. Rodeo Device Ban. There is never an excuse for animal abuse. Using any type of device to make animals kick and buck to entertain humans is unexcused torture. Aren't we better than that, to cause harm to a living being? Please be a leader for our nation and pass this ban, let Los Angeles show the world we do not support torturing animals. Thank you, Anita Long

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Name: Adrienne Ferrell
Date Submitted: 12/29/2022 11:44 AM
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Comments for Public Posting: . Please go out and learn how well these animals are treated and what a great life they actually have instead of assuming otherwise.

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Name: Arlene

Date Submitted: 12/29/2022 12:19 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: As an equestrian this ban would have a great impact on my sport and hobby. Equestrians use spurs on a daily basis and they are used to give horses command and direction and do not hurt the horse. Before passing this ban please consult with trained professionals how these devices are used within their sport. If so the ban is passed it pushes the equestrian life out of Los Angeles.

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Name: Andrea Sáenz

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is not animal abuse. The animals at rodeos are treated as athletes and they are cared for on a top tier level. Animals being neglected, cats and dogs not being neutered, etc. is where time, effort and money needs to be spent to protect animal rights, NOT Rodeo. Rodeo and people involved in Rodeo care about their animals immensely; the care taken for these animals is above and beyond. These animals are worth a lot of money and they are the livelihood of the humans involved in the rodeo. Injuries to animals are VERY infrequent (fewer than 0.05%). The animals buck and perform because they are BRED for that sport. The same way that labs are bred for duck hunting & huskies are bred to pull sleds, horses and bulls are bred to buck. The point system is based 1/2 on the rider and 1/2 on the animal, so it is in the best interest of the humans to take the best care possible of the animals to ensure that they can perform their sport at their full potential. The owners of their animals invest in top veterinary and nutritional care at all times. Flank straps only slightly irritate the animals but they do not cause harm and they are not strapped to their genitals. Animals that excel in the sport are bred for future generations, so it makes no sense that the humans would potentially cause harm to their genitals. The flank strap sits nowhere near their genitals and, again, it does NOT cause pain or harm. These animals do not buck because they are in pain or scared, these animals naturally buck (they buck in the pastures at home just as they do in the rodeo arena). They buck and spin even more because they are bred and trained for the sport. When these animals are not at a rodeo (which, for the majority of their lives, they are not), they are provided the upmost care possible. Additionally, there are already steep fines and expulsion from competition if a human is found harming or abusing an animal. It makes 0 sense that we are spending money, time and effort to try and ban rodeo when there are MILLIONS of animals at shelters that are being euthanized every day. There are dog and cock fighting rings that are still happening, and there are neglect and hoarding animal situations all over LA County and the entire country. We need to provide help to the animals who are actually in need, not the animals who are provided the best care possible day in and day out.

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Name: Linda Grandov
Date Submitted: 12/29/2022 04:16 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: The banning of rodeo is too broad of a brush. People that have no knowledge of what is being banned are the people that are making this decisions.

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Name: Eric Mills, coordinator ACTION FOR ANIMALS

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Comments for Public Posting: IWRITE IN STRONG SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED RODEO ORDINANCE. Just for the record, rodeo is condemned by nearly EVERY animal welfare organization in North America due to its inherent cruelty. Rodeo has almost NOTHING to do with ranching. Real working ranch hands never routinely rode bulls, or rode bareback, or wrestled steers, or barrel raced, or practiced calf roping (terrified BABIES!) as a timed event. Nor did they put painful flank straps on the horses and bulls or work them over in the holding chutes with painful "hotshots," kicks and slaps. Some "sport"! Indeed, rodeo is not a true "sport" at all. Rather, it's a bogus, macho exercise in DOMINATION. It needs to end. And the media needs to stop promoting this blatant cruelty. I was present at the 1995 California Rodeo/Salinas when FIVE animals suffered and died, all in the name of "entertainment." The great majority of rodeos don't even require on-site veterinary care, and animal injuries and deaths are routine. Even Cesar Chavez was an outspoken critic. The United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales) outlawed rodeos back in 1934, soon foilowed by Germany and the Netherlands. Can the U.S. be far behind? Rodeo has had its brutal day and now--like those Confederate statues--belongs in the Dustbin of History, R.I.P.

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Name: Tiffany N

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Comments for Public Posting: I am commenting on the L.A. RODEO ORDINANCE. I am a former resident of CA-District 02 and I am very proud of my hometown for considering this ordinance. If rodeos were humane activities then the industry would release injury and euthanasia statistics. From what I have seen in numerous rodeo videos the animals are provoked to react using various tools such as spurs and high voltage electric prods. Here in the west there is often a condemnation of people around the world who engage in and watch bull fights, whales and dolphins performing and watch shows where elephants are trained using hooks yet we still hold rodeos. There is no reason for Los Angeles to host these events and expose children to activities which harm animals. Rodeos belong in the past and if people wish to learn about them they can do so from watching documentaries or reading books. Let's move forward and teach our kids that animals are not here to "entertain" us.